

**SITUATION REPORT NO. 64**  
**INCIDENT NO. 97-015**  
**DATE: September 11, 1997      TIME: 10:00 a.m.**

TO: Governor Edward T. Schafer  
State Capitol  
Bismarck, ND 58505

1. NATURE OF DISASTER: Spring flood statewide.
2. DEATHS AND INJURIES: No change from previous reports.
3. DAMAGES: Devils Lake continues its slow, steady fall. The lake level at Creel Bay was at 1,442.69 feet MSL on September 11, 1997.
4. RESOURCES:  
  
LOCAL: No change from previous reports.  
  
STATE: No change from previous reports.  
  
FEDERAL: No change from previous reports.
5. VOLUNTEER ACTION: No change from previous reports.
6. MAJOR ACTIONS: The Rural Survival Task Force has scheduled 10 stress workshops throughout North Dakota during October and November. Rural psychologist Val Farmer will discuss reactions to stress during the sessions, scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. Other topics include "Taking Charge of Your Stress." Workshops are scheduled as follows: Selfridge, October 27; New Salem, October 28; Mott, October 29; Killdeer, October 30; Towner, October 31; Grafton, November 10; Devils Lake, November 11; Wahpeton, November 12; Jamestown, November 13; and Steele, November 14.

To date, 24,384 awards have been issued for nearly \$51.7 million in Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Disaster Housing assistance. A total of 36,494 North Dakotans registered damages with the National Teleregistration Center (NTC).

The Individual and Family Grant Program (IFG), administered by the Division of Emergency Management, has approved more than \$12.6 million in grants to individuals for flood losses. The average IFG grant is \$1,319.82. The staff has closed 21,454 cases, more than 90 percent of its cases.

To date, the Public Assistance staff has prepared Damage Survey Reports (DSRs) for the 1997 flood for nearly \$83.3 million in infrastructure repairs, emergency work and debris removal in the declared counties.

As of September 10, Job Service North Dakota has paid more than \$4.5 million in Disaster

Unemployment Assistance (DUA). The agency has received 8,296 DUA applications.

The Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved to date more than \$165.6 million in low-interest loans for businesses and individuals. The SBA has received 11,564 loan applications, 6,722 of which have been approved. Of the loans, 57 percent were to home owners and renters for real estate and personal property losses, and 43 percent were to business owners for repairs to businesses and for lost income.

7. ASSISTANCE NEEDED: No change from previous reports.
8. OUTSIDE HELP ON SCENE: No change from previous reports.
9. OTHER: Other web site addresses for flood recovery information include:

N.D. Division of Emergency Management: <http://www.state.nd.us/dem>  
N.D. League of Cities: <http://www.ndlc.org>  
N.D. State Water Commission: <http://water.swc.state.nd.us>  
N.D. Attorney General Office: <http://www.state.nd.us/ndag>  
N.D. Department of Agriculture: <http://www.state.nd.us/agr/>  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: <http://www.ncs-wc.usace.army.mil>  
U.S. Geological Survey: <http://srv1dndbmk.cr.usgs.gov/public/index.html>

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